

Subject: Re: Question on Repaving Street - Hollywood Media District N. McCadden Place between Santa Monica Bl. and Romaine St.
From: Ed Schilling
Date: 03/23/2017 06:42 PM
To: Ron Groeper
CC: Dave Ronge <dave.ronge@lacity.org>, Sherman Torres <sherman.torres@lacity.org>, Nikki Ezhari <Nikki.Ezhari@lacity.org>, John Sapone <john.sapone@lacity.org>, Craig Shaw <craig.shaw@lacity.org>, Lisa Schechter <lisa@mediadistrict.org>, Keith Mozee <keith.mozee@lacity.org>, Edgar Duncan <edgar.duncan@lacity.org>, Eric Gonzales <eric.gonzales@lacity.org>

Anything. I can do to help get this done. Let me know it really is in bad condition right now. Thanks Ron.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 23, 2017, at 8:12 AM, Ron Groeper <ron@groeperphoto.com> wrote:

Hi Dave,

I emailed you with the 2nd photo and a request to resurface the remainder of McCadden with an asphalt overlay in December 2016.

Here is a 2nd photo from March of the more recent deterioration of the roadway.

Does the daily use of the street for MTA buses 156 as a turn-around make this more of a priority?

Can you determine from your schedule when the rest of the street might be resurfaced?

Thanks!

Ron

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March 2017:

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December 2016:

<IMG_2651.jpeg>

On Dec 21, 2016, at 3:34 PM, Dave Ronge wrote:

Hello Ron,

I am glad we were able to finally complete your request.

Traditionally we prefer to not overlay PCC streets with asphalt. However as time goes on some concrete streets deteriorate to a point where they require attention and are in fact covered with asphalt. I will have McCadden inspected and from your description most likely placed in a future resurfacing program. Eventual resurfacing will happen but will be based on utility clearances and available funding.

Dave

On Wed, Dec 21, 2016 at 12:58 PM, Ron Groeper <ron@groeperphoto.com> wrote:

Hi Dave,

I wanted to ask you again about the possibility of repaving the rest of McCadden Pl to Romaine.

The concrete part of the street is in very bad condition (see below).

Can we proceed on my request?

Thanks,

Ron Groeper

Board Member

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On Dec 7, 2016, at 4:32 PM, Ron Groeper wrote:

Hi Dave,
Well, McCadden Pl. 230' south of Santa Monica Bl. finally got resurfaced.
It looks beautiful - your department did a great job - thank you!

In fact, so great that I want to ask you about the cracked concrete portion farther south of the completed section all the way to Romaine St.
It is badly cracked and I have been noticing that when large trucks or buses come by (I am on a bus turnaround for MTA bus 156), the building shakes as a result.
It has been getting worse and the new repaving did not have alleviate that.
So, is there any way you could schedule your crew to come back at some point and do the rest of McCadden Pl. approximately 460 ft. north of Romaine St.?
Thanks,
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On Aug 5, 2016, at 7:45 AM, Dave Ronge wrote:

Good morning Ron,
Thank you, I had a great time vacationing at Lake Tahoe.
I have just been informed that our Coordinating Section has been able to gain DWP clearance for the portion of McCadden Place south of Santa Monica Bl. that you are requesting. I will include this street segment in our current 16-17 resurfacing program. We will schedule this project for the second quarter of this fiscal year when we are in the area to complete other already scheduled projects. I do not schedule the crew's work, but the second quarter begins October 1 so this will likely be completed before the end of the calendar year.
Notices will mailed to affected property owners indicating the month the work will be scheduled and Notices of Street Work will be distributed door to door indicating the approximate start date, prior to work commencing.

Dave

On Wed, Aug 3, 2016 at 9:48 AM, Ron Groeper <ron@groeperphoto.com> wrote:

Hi Dave,
I hope that you had a good vacation.
Now that you are back, I would still like to speak to your contact at DWP regarding the 12 month hold on BSS resurfacing on McCadden Pl. for the 230' south of Santa Monica Bl..
That section is in very poor condition and needs resurfacing very badly.
Thanks!
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On Jul 21, 2016, at 6:04 PM, Ron Groeper wrote:

Hi Dave,

I would like to speak to your contact at DWP regarding the 12 month hold on McCadden for BSS resurfacing.

It seems unfair that they would hold the street so long and extend it beyond July 2017. I have been requesting a resurfacing for 7 years. Incidentally, as you may know, all the other side streets abutting Santa Monica Blvd. including the north side of McCadden have been recently resurfaced.

Thanks,

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On Jul 18, 2016, at 3:36 PM, Ron Groeper wrote:

Dave,

I have been requesting a resurfacing several times since 2/09 and DWP has delayed this several times.

The reason for the hold is so that DWP can park their equipment on McCadden while they do their repairs for the project on Santa Monica Bl.

In any case, it is not McCadden that is part of their project but Santa Monica Bl.

Since the work is not scheduled for another year, I see no reason why the resurfacing could not be done before that.

I would like to speak with someone at DWP about this to see if they could release their hold temporarily while the resurfacing is done this fiscal year.

Please advise.

Thanks,
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On Jul 18, 2016, at 2:19 PM, Dave Ronge wrote:

Good afternoon,

The asphalt portion of McCadden Place south of Santa Monica is only 230'. This segment was first proposed for resurfacing in the 13-14 program. A hold was placed by DWP at that time and subsequently extended for DWP project #45714, which is their Santa Monica Bl., Highland to Seward project. Their work is currently scheduled to begin July 1, 2017.

On Mon, Jul 18, 2016 at 1:41 PM, Sherman Torres
<sherman.torres@lacity.org> wrote:

Dave
Can you assist?

Thanks

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From: **Ron Groeper** <info@mccaddenspace.com>
Date: Mon, Jul 18, 2016 at 1:38 PM
Subject: Re: Question on Repaving Street -
Hollywood Media District N. McCadden Place
between Santa Monica Bl. and Romaine St.
To: Sherman Torres <sherman.torres@lacity.org>
Cc: Nikki Ezhari <nikki.ezhari@lacity.org>, Lisa
Schechter <lisa@mediadistrict.org>

Hi Sherman,
It has been a few months since we last emailed.
Since we are now in a new fiscal year, I was
wondering if you had any updated info on when the
small section of McCadden might be resurfaced?
Could it be done in 2016?

Thanks!
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On Apr 26, 2016, at 12:05 PM, Sherman Torres
wrote:

My pleasure and your assumption is correct.
I made a note in our system to contact you prior
to the work being scheduled to be sure that
there are not any conflicts with pre planned
activities.

Have a great day.

On Tue, Apr 26, 2016 at 11:30 AM, Ron
Groeper <info@mccaddenspace.com>
wrote:

Hi Sherman,
Thanks for your reply.
I am assuming that you mean the
DWP hold has been released and I
am tentatively scheduled for repaving
after July 2016.
Please keep me updated if you have
any additional info about scheduling.
Thanks for your attention to this,
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On Apr 26, 2016, at 8:29 AM,
Sherman Torres wrote:

Hi Nikki,
First let me say that the last email was sent to me on April 19 and as you know I receive 100's of email since that time. I have been providing whatever information I have and have since met DWP to obtain status of the project.
The location is tentatively proposed for next fiscal and a time line for completion cannot be provided without know all the details for next fiscal.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks

On Mon, Apr 25, 2016 at 5:49 PM, Nikki Ezhari
<nikki.ezhari@lacity.org>
wrote:

Hi Sherman,

Hope all is well with you!
Can you please see the email below and let me know if the hold has been lifted or tell me who I can speak with at DWP to learn the answer?



Nikki Ezhari, J.D.
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From: **Ron Groeper**
<ron@groeperphoto.com>
Date: Tue, Apr 19,
2016 at 5:53 PM
Subject: Fwd: Question
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Monica Bl. and
Romaine St.
To: Nikki Ezhari
<nikki.ezhari@lacity.org>
Cc: Lisa Schechter
<lisa@mediadistrict.org>

>

Hi Nikki,
I met you about 6 years ago when I was President of the Hollywood Media District and we had a BID matter to discuss with Tom LaBonge downtown.

I am the gentleman in the photo standing behind you, third from the left and still serve as Board member of the HMD.
Congratulations, by the way on returning as Field Deputy to our District!

I am contacting you regarding getting some information on repairing a portion of my street which neither I nor Lisa Schechter, our Executive Director, have been able to get from BSS. Last year, it was scheduled for repair but fell off the the list due to a DWP hold. If you read the chain of emails below, you will see that we have been trying to get a contact at DWP regarding a hold on the BSS repair of the street.

It is my opinion that the hold was a result of a water main issue that has been resolved and DWP has not bothered to release it.

That way it could be put on the list for repair for the next fiscal year in July 2016 instead of July 2017 as Sherman states.

Both Lisa and I have sent emails to Sherman Torres asking for further info without reply.

Could you find out from either BSS or DWP what the problem is and when the work can be rescheduled?
The street is in terrible condition and I have been constantly reporting this as a

service request to BSS
for over 7 years.

Incidentally, It is only
the first 250' of asphalt
on McCadden south
from Santa Monica
Bl. to just past the first
alley - the rest of the
street towards Romaine
is concrete and is fine.

Thanks,
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Date: April
19, 2016
5:04:35 PM
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To: Ron
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To: sherman.torres@lacity.org
Cc: Media District
<lisa@mediadistrict.org>,
chi.ming.gong@lacity.org

Hi Sherman,
I am following up on an email sent by our Executive Director for our BID, Lisa Schechter. As a property owner and Board Director of the Hollywood Media District, I am concerned about the condition of the street on McCadden Place.

Not only has it not been resurfaced for many years, it gets constant traffic from MTA buses as a turnaround and other heavy vehicles.

Concerning your email response about the DWP project, I know that the hold was due to water main issues on the south side of Santa Monica. As far as I know, that work was completed last year and we have not had any issues since. For those repairs, DWP liked to park their equipment just south of Santa Monica Boulevard on McCadden Pl. - the portion of the street that needs the resurfacing. If another rupture should occur during resurfacing, an unlikely coincidence, I see no reason why DWP couldn't park their equipment north of Santa Monica Bl. on McCadden.

The
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owners in
this area
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This street
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Could you
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follow up
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the hold to
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Thanks,

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From: Sherman Torres <sherman.torres@lacity.org>
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